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Application Number

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**Radiation And Melt Treated Ultra High
Molecular Weight Polyethylene Prosthetic
Devices**

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Examiner

S. Berman

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner.

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